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Charles, thought this might interest you -

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Memorandum

To: Area Directors and Superintendents, Seminole, Cherokee
and Miccosukee Agencies
Members of Commissioner's Small Staff
Central Office Branch Chiefs

From: Commissioner of Indian Affairs

Subject: Community Development Training Seminars

For some time now we have been planning a series of training conferences in community development for key line officers of the Bureau. We are contracting with the University of Oklahoma to host and sponsor two seminars with an anticipated attendance of about 80 each. Staff coordination is directed by Dr. Edward Spicer of the University of Arizona and members of the staff will be drawn from major universities across the country. The first seminar will be held from September 11 through 15 and the second from October 9 through 13. Both seminars will take place at the Oklahoma Center for Continuing Education on the campus of the University of Oklahoma in Norman. Accommodations at the facility are excellent.

It is hoped that Central Office Branch Chiefs and members of the Commissioner's small staff as well as Area Directors, one or two Assistant Area Directors from each Area office, and all Superintendents will attend one of these seminars. Since the seminars are intended to cover the same content it will not matter particularly which one an individual attends. Therefore, divisions in the Central Office and Areas (from the Area office) shall be made according to preference, leave schedules, adequate coverage and other considerations, to determine which half of the participants will attend which seminar. To insure adequate physical accommodations we will need a list of persons attending each session by Monday, August 14. The Area lists should be sent to Assistant Commissioner Carmack with a copy to Bill King, Superintendent, Salt River Agency, who is Chairman of the Bureau's Community Development Training Committee. Central Office employees may notify Mr. Carmack's office by phone.

Community development is emerging as a program emphasis of this Bureau and it has direct and far reaching implications for each activity in which we engage. These training sessions have been in the planning stage for months and will be, I believe, sensitive to our needs and our program responsibilities.

Acting  Commissioner